

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
EDWARDSVILLE

September 22, 2017

Mr. Jeff Bezos
Chief Executive Officer, Amazon
2121 7th Ave.
Seattle, WA 98121

Dear Mr. Bezos:


It is with great pleasure that I voice support for the City of Edwardsville's response to Amazon's Request for Proposals for a second headquarters location. I believe Amazon could build upon the success of its two fulfillment centers in Edwardsville.

The City of Edwardsville has a "pro-business attitude." City leadership and staff are known to cut through the red tape and the regulatory approval process to make it easier for businesses to be successful in our community.

Edwardsville is a thriving community and has available resources for growth. Their success is linked to strong educational institutions, solid corporate leadership and reputable citizens. The City values development and investment, making this an outstanding location to build a business, and to live and work.

The SIUE community will be here to support and serve Amazon HQ2. If I can be of any service to you while considering your business development, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Randall G. Pembroke
Chancellor